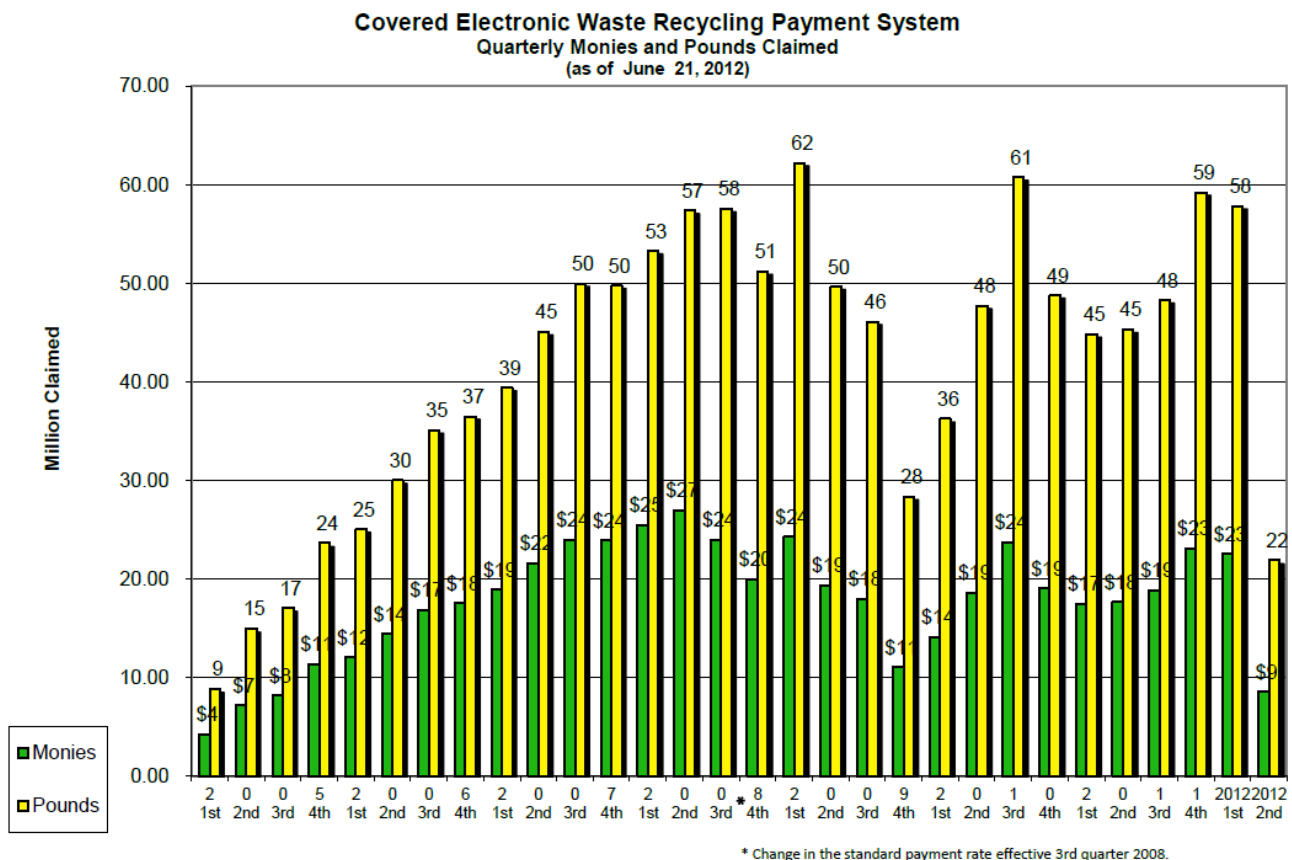


Covered Electronic Waste Recycling Program - Historical CEW Recycling Claim Volumes

CalRecycle tracks the volume of covered electronic waste (CEW) recovered and recycled within the program through data submitted along with recycling payment claims. The depiction of claim volumes in the below chart reflects the general growth trends of the program since its inception in January 2005. Factors affecting the fluctuating volumes in recent quarters include a lowered payment rate (effective July 2008), economic uncertainty, the digital television transition in first half of 2009, and the widespread availability of recycling opportunities over the past seven years that may have exhausted much of the legacy stockpile.

Most significantly, in October 2009, cathode ray tube (CRT) glass market disruptions involving Mexican destinations significantly impacted the volume of claims submitted in and immediately after 4th quarter 2009. (A condition of submitting a payment claim is that all CRT glass derived from recycling CEW is shipped to an authorized destination.) However, participating collectors and recyclers have continued overall CEW recovery and recycling activities and the volume of processed and claimed CEW has rebounded and somewhat stabilized.

Changes in the make-up of CEW due to evolving technologies may affect the future weight claimed, as heavy CRT devices give way to lighter flat panels, but the impacts on the overall cost of processing have yet to be determined.



Note: Recyclers are technically required to submit claims within 45 days of the end of a claim reporting month, which leads to a delay in the tracking of program volumes. For instance, June 2012 claims aren't due until August 15, 2012. However, it is not uncommon for other market complication to delay the timely submittal of a recycling payment claim. CalRecycle has discretion whether to accept claims submitted beyond 45 days.